

Lee's Summit Beautification Commission
Tuesday, April 4, 2017 6:00 p.m.
Howard Room
220 SE Green Street, LSMO

The **meeting was called** to order by Kim Fritchie at 6:07 p.m. on April 4, 2017. Those in attendance were: Randy Cain, Kim Fritchie, Carol Rothwell, Sarah DeBray, Laura Dawson, Charlotte Lea, Andy Carr and Robert Sanchez. The **minutes** were approved as sent after a motion by Bruce, seconded by Sarah. There were no changes in the **Financial Report** provided by Andy. Next month should include the pansies for the downtown planters, any waterings for these flowers and the Westview tree for Arbor Day, plus any Sweep the Summit expenses.

Tree Board Activities - We will plant a 5 gallon red maple at Westview Elementary on April 7, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. with the kindergarten classes. Lila Raymond will bring some small shovels for the children to use.

Sweep the Summit will be held April 22, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at Lowenstein (LSW) Charlotte and Kim, Lea Mac South (LS) Bruce and Carol, and Harris Park (Sarah and Laura). We should be there by 9 a.m. for the 9:30 a.m. start. Kim will check on bags and gloves and send an email about hand out of these items. The schedule for this event will be:

9 a.m. Commission member set up

9:30 a.m. Students and volunteers arrive

10 a.m. - 11 a.m. - Trash pick up

11:30 - Mayor Pro-tem Rob Binney proclamation, prizes awarded, pizza

Please, all members count trash bags and make sure they are in one location for pick up. We will do a bags/participant ratio to determine the winner of the trash trophy.

ROW presentation - We need to get ready for the presentations to area groups. These include the Optimist Clubs, Rotaries, Chamber of Commerce, Parks and Rec, area contractors.

The presentation will include the Vireo information, procedures to plant the wildflowers including Round up application in June and Sept. 2017, seed broadcast in Spring 2018 as per the agreement with Mary Nemecheck. Mary's grant will pay the contractor. Bruce will work on communication with the public on this. The mayor has been asked to take the Mayor's Monarch Pledge since this particular blend of wildflowers is specifically tailored to attract the Monarch butterfly population. There are 39.3 acres total in this project. We need to get ready for the presentations and emails for this roll out.

Randy has not heard anything else on the delivery of the new **planters** and will check on this.

Members finished discussing the final update on our **Strategic Plan** for 2017-2021 and after a motion by Randy, seconded by Bruce, members voted unanimously to adopt this. Special thanks to our chair Kim Fritchie for her tireless work on this plan update.

There was discussion about our new member candidates that have expressed interest, Lila Raymond and Sue Forbes. We also have several other people invited to upcoming meetings that have expressed interest. These include: Natalie Puhr, Justin Gravatt and Jonathan Krysa.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Dawson, Recording Secretary
See everyone tomorrow.
Laura

